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In the Matter of the Application of: Alan Weir Bucher

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**AMENDMENT** 

Sir:

In response to the Official Office Action dated January 13, 2004, and having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 13, 2004, please amend the application as follows. Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension to respond to the Office Action. Please charge any additional requisite fees relating to this amendment and response to Deposit Account No. 07-0832.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.